



STATE OF MICHIGAN
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**MAY 6, 2008 ELECTION
CALENDAR OF DATES**

Feb. 1	Last day a recall petition can be filed for election. (168.963)
By 4:00 p.m., Feb. 13¹	Local School Board candidates, Community College Trustee candidates and District Library Board candidates who wish to seek office at the May 6 election must file an Affidavit of Identity and a nominating petition. (A \$100.00 nonrefundable fee may be filed in lieu of a petition.) Withdrawal deadline elapses at 4:00 p.m. on February 19. ¹ (If filing official is a local clerk, filing official notifies county clerk of candidates' names and addresses within 3 days after withdrawal deadline.) (168.303; 397.181; 389.152)
By Feb. 13	Petitions to place proposals on ballot filed with county and local clerks. (If governing law sets an earlier petition filing deadline, earlier deadline must be observed.) (168.646a)
By Feb. 26	Ballot wording of proposals qualified to appear on ballot certified to county and local clerks. (168.646a)
Mar. 27 through Apr. 15	Precinct inspectors appointed for election. (168.674)
By Mar. 31	Notice of close of registration for election published. One notice required. (168.498)
Apr. 7	Last day to register for election. (168.498)
By Apr. 16	Absent voter ballots must be available for issuance to voters. (168.714)
By Apr. 25	Pre-Election Campaign Statements filed (closes Apr. 20).
By 4:00 p.m., Apr. 25	Write-in candidates file Declaration of Intent forms. (168.737a as amended under PA 87 of 2006)

By Apr. 29	Notice of election published. One notice required. (168.653a)
By May 1	Public accuracy test must be conducted. (R 168.778) Notice of test must be published at least 48 hours before test. (168.798)
By 2:00 p.m., May 3	Electors who wish to receive an absent voter ballot for election by mail submit applications. (168.759)
Up to 4:00 p.m., May 5	Electors qualified to obtain an absent voter ballot for election may vote in person in clerk's office. (168.761)
Up to 4:00 p.m., May 6	Emergency absentee voting for election. (168.759b)
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By May 12	Boards of County Canvassers meet to canvass election. (168.821)
By Jun. 5	Post-Election Campaign Statements filed (closes May 26).

¹ As the twelfth Tuesday prior to the May 6 election falls on Tuesday, February 12 (Lincoln's birthday), the candidate filing deadline moves forward to Wednesday, February 13. As Monday, February 18 is Washington's birthday, the 3-day candidate withdrawal deadline moves forward to Tuesday, February 19.